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Carlisle Way and Lillian Avenue • Sunnyvale, California**Statement of Hammett & Edison, Inc., Consulting Engineers**

The firm of Hammett & Edison, Inc., Consulting Engineers, has been retained on behalf of Sprint PCS, a wireless telecommunications carrier, to evaluate the base station (Site No. SF60xr850B) proposed to be located at Carlisle Way and Lillian Avenue in Sunnyvale, California, for compliance with appropriate guidelines limiting human exposure to radio frequency ("RF") electromagnetic fields.

**Prevailing Exposure Standards**

The U.S. Congress requires that the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") evaluate its actions for possible significant impact on the environment. In Docket 93-62, effective October 15, 1997, the FCC adopted the human exposure limits for field strength and power density recommended in Report No. 86, "Biological Effects and Exposure Criteria for Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields," published in 1986 by the Congressionally chartered National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements ("NCRP"). Separate limits apply for occupational and public exposure conditions, with the latter limits generally five times more restrictive. The more recent Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers ("IEEE") Standard C95.1-1999, "Safety Levels with Respect to Human Exposure to Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields, 3 kHz to 300 GHz," includes nearly identical exposure limits. A summary of the FCC's exposure limits is shown in Figure 1. These limits apply for continuous exposures and are intended to provide a prudent margin of safety for all persons, regardless of age, gender, size, or health.

The most restrictive thresholds for exposures of unlimited duration to radio frequency energy for several personal wireless services are as follows:

| Personal Wireless Service          | Approx. Frequency | Occupational Limit      | Public Limit            |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Personal Communication ("PCS")     | 1,950 MHz         | 5.00 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> | 1.00 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> |
| Cellular Telephone                 | 870               | 2.90                    | 0.58                    |
| Specialized Mobile Radio           | 855               | 2.85                    | 0.57                    |
| [most restrictive frequency range] | 30-300            | 1.00                    | 0.20                    |

**General Facility Requirements**

Base stations typically consist of two distinct parts: the electronic transceivers (also called "radios" or "cabinets") that are connected to the traditional wired telephone lines, and the passive antennas that send the wireless signals created by the radios out to be received by individual subscriber units. The transceivers are often located at ground level and are connected to the antennas by coaxial cables about 1 inch thick. Because of the short wavelength of the frequencies assigned by the FCC for wireless services, the antennas require line-of-sight paths for their signals to propagate well and so are installed at some height above ground. The antennas are designed to concentrate their energy toward



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the horizon, with very little energy wasted toward the sky or the ground. Along with the low power of such facilities, this means that it is generally not possible for exposure conditions to approach the maximum permissible exposure limits without being physically very near the antennas.

### Computer Modeling Method

The FCC provides direction for determining compliance in its Office of Engineering and Technology Bulletin No. 65, "Evaluating Compliance with FCC-Specified Guidelines for Human Exposure to Radio Frequency Radiation," dated August 1997. Figure 2 attached describes the calculation methodologies, reflecting the facts that a directional antenna's radiation pattern is not fully formed at locations very close by (the "near-field" effect) and that the power level from an energy source decreases with the square of the distance from it (the "inverse square law"). The conservative nature of this method for evaluating exposure conditions has been verified by numerous field tests.

### Site and Facility Description

Based upon information provided by Sprint, including zoning drawings by MSA Architecture & Planning, Inc., dated May 24, 2004, it is proposed to mount two Andrew Model UMWD-06516-XDM directional panel antennas on a new 50-foot steel pole to be located near the water tank situated south of the intersection of Carlisle Way and Lillian Avenue in Sunnyvale. The antennas would be mounted at an effective height of about 48 feet above ground and would be oriented toward 180°T and 300°T. The maximum effective radiated power ("ERP") in any direction would be 1,000 watts. Sprint also proposes to mount lower on the same pole a CSA Wireless Model A-18A24 "donor" antenna, oriented toward 60°T and operating with a maximum ERP of 12 watts.

### Study Results

The maximum ambient RF level anywhere at ground due to the proposed Sprint operation is calculated to be 0.00066 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, which is 0.066% of the applicable public exposure limit. The maximum calculated level at the second floor elevation of any nearby home\* is 0.054% of the public exposure limit. It should be noted that these results include several "worst-case" assumptions and therefore are expected to overstate actual power density levels.

### No Recommended Mitigation Measures

Since they are to be mounted on a tall pole, the Sprint antennas are not accessible to the general public, and so no mitigation measures are necessary to comply with the FCC public exposure guidelines. It is presumed that Sprint will, as an FCC licensee, take adequate steps to ensure that its

\* Located at least 45 feet away, based on aerial photographs from Maps a la carte, Inc. and the drawings.



employees or contractors comply with FCC occupational exposure guidelines whenever work is required near the antennas themselves.

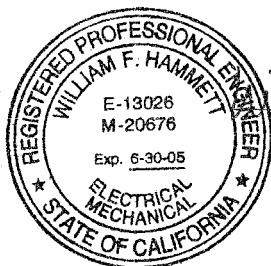
#### Conclusion

Based on the information and analysis above, it is the undersigned's professional opinion that the base station proposed by Sprint PCS at Carlisle Way and Lillian Avenue in Sunnyvale, California, will comply with the prevailing standards for limiting public exposure to radio frequency energy and, therefore, will not for this reason cause a significant impact on the environment. The highest calculated level in publicly accessible areas is much less than the prevailing standards allow for exposures of unlimited duration. This finding is consistent with measurements of actual exposure conditions taken at other operating base stations.

#### Authorship

The undersigned author of this statement is a qualified Professional Engineer, holding California Registration Nos. E-13026 and M-20676, which expire on June 30, 2005. This work has been carried out by him or under his direction, and all statements are true and correct of his own knowledge except, where noted, when data has been supplied by others, which data he believes to be correct.

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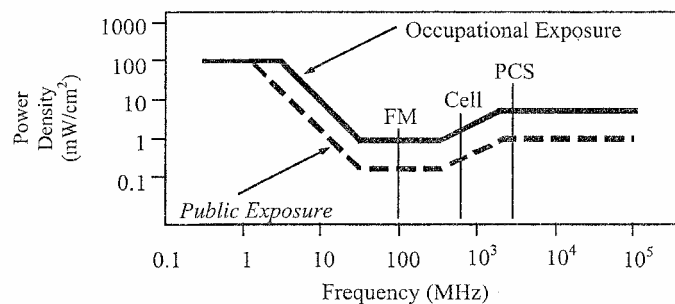
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The U.S. Congress required (1996 Telecom Act) the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") to adopt a nationwide human exposure standard to ensure that its licensees do not, cumulatively, have a significant impact on the environment. The FCC adopted the limits from Report No. 86, "Biological Effects and Exposure Criteria for Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields," published in 1986 by the Congressionally chartered National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements, which are nearly identical to the more recent Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Standard C95.1-1999, "Safety Levels with Respect to Human Exposure to Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields, 3 kHz to 300 GHz." These limits apply for continuous exposures from all sources and are intended to provide a prudent margin of safety for all persons, regardless of age, gender, size, or health.

As shown in the table and chart below, separate limits apply for occupational and public exposure conditions, with the latter limits (in *italics* and/or dashed) up to five times more restrictive:

| Frequency              | Electromagnetic Fields (f is frequency of emission in MHz) |                |                               |               |  |                          |
|------------------------|--|----------------|-------------------------------|---------------|--|--------------------------|
| Applicable Range (MHz) | Electric Field Strength (V/m)                              |                | Magnetic Field Strength (A/m) |               | Equivalent Far-Field Power Density (mW/cm <sup>2</sup> ) |                          |
| 0.3 – 1.34             | 614  | <i>614</i>     | 1.63                          | <i>1.63</i>   | 100  | <i>100</i>               |
| 1.34 – 3.0             | 614  | <i>823.8/f</i> | 1.63                          | <i>2.19/f</i> | 100  | <i>180/f<sup>2</sup></i> |
| 3.0 – 30               | 1842/f   | <i>823.8/f</i> | 4.89/f                        | <i>2.19/f</i> | 900/f <sup>2</sup>                                       | <i>180/f<sup>2</sup></i> |
| 30 – 300               | 61.4   | <i>27.5</i>    | 0.163                         | <i>0.0729</i> | 1.0  | <i>0.2</i>               |
| 300 – 1,500            | 3.54√f   | <i>1.59√f</i>  | √f/106                        | <i>√f/238</i> | <i>f/300</i>   | <i>f/1500</i>            |
| 1,500 – 100,000        | 137  | <i>61.4</i>    | 0.364                         | <i>0.163</i>  | 5.0  | <i>1.0</i>               |



Higher levels are allowed for short periods of time, such that total exposure levels averaged over six or thirty minutes, for occupational or public settings, respectively, do not exceed the limits, and higher levels also are allowed for exposures to small areas, such that the spatially averaged levels do not exceed the limits. However, neither of these allowances is incorporated in the conservative calculation formulas in the FCC Office of Engineering and Technology Bulletin No. 65 (August 1997) for projecting field levels. Hammett & Edison has built those formulas into a proprietary program that calculates, at each location on an arbitrary rectangular grid, the total expected power density from any number of individual radio sources. The program allows for the description of buildings and uneven terrain, if required to obtain more accurate projections.



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FCC Guidelines  
Figure 1

**Assessment by Calculation of Compliance with FCC Exposure Guidelines**

The U.S. Congress required (1996 Telecom Act) the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") to adopt a nationwide human exposure standard to ensure that its licensees do not, cumulatively, have a significant impact on the environment. The maximum permissible exposure limits adopted by the FCC (see Figure 1) apply for continuous exposures from all sources and are intended to provide a prudent margin of safety for all persons, regardless of age, gender, size, or health. Higher levels are allowed for short periods of time, such that total exposure levels averaged over six or thirty minutes, for occupational or public settings, respectively, do not exceed the limits.

**Near Field.**

Prediction methods have been developed for the near field zone of panel (directional) and whip (omnidirectional) antennas, typical at wireless telecommunications cell sites. The near field zone is defined by the distance, D, from an antenna beyond which the manufacturer's published, far field antenna patterns will be fully formed; the near field may exist for increasing D until some or all of three conditions have been met:

$$1) D > \frac{2h^2}{\lambda} \quad 2) D > 5h \quad 3) D > 1.6\lambda$$

where h = aperture height of the antenna, in meters, and

$\lambda$  = wavelength of the transmitted signal, in meters.

The FCC Office of Engineering and Technology Bulletin No. 65 (August 1997) gives this formula for calculating power density in the near field zone about an individual RF source:

$$\text{power density } S = \frac{180}{\theta_{BW}} \times \frac{0.1 \times P_{net}}{\pi \times D \times h}, \text{ in mW/cm}^2,$$

where  $\theta_{BW}$  = half-power beamwidth of antenna, in degrees, and

$P_{net}$  = net power input to the antenna, in watts.

The factor of 0.1 in the numerator converts to the desired units of power density. This formula has been built into a proprietary program that calculates distances to FCC public and occupational limits.

**Far Field.**

OET-65 gives this formula for calculating power density in the far field of an individual RF source:

$$\text{power density } S = \frac{2.56 \times 1.64 \times 100 \times RFF^2 \times ERP}{4 \times \pi \times D^2}, \text{ in mW/cm}^2,$$

where ERP = total ERP (all polarizations), in kilowatts,

RFF = relative field factor at the direction to the actual point of calculation, and

D = distance from the center of radiation to the point of calculation, in meters.

The factor of 2.56 accounts for the increase in power density due to ground reflection, assuming a reflection coefficient of 1.6 ( $1.6 \times 1.6 = 2.56$ ). The factor of 1.64 is the gain of a half-wave dipole relative to an isotropic radiator. The factor of 100 in the numerator converts to the desired units of power density. This formula has been built into a proprietary program that calculates, at each location on an arbitrary rectangular grid, the total expected power density from any number of individual radiation sources. The program also allows for the description of uneven terrain in the vicinity, to obtain more accurate projections.

